Executive Proclamation

State of South Dakota

Office Of The Governor

WHEREAS, Retinitis Pigmentosa (RP) International has made an all out effort to end blindness and to develop public awareness of degenerative eye diseases; and,

WHEREAS, RP International was established 16 years ago for the purpose of helping children, young adults, and adults who face a life of lonely darkness; and,

WHEREAS, The song "Forgotten Eyes" has been written and recorded for the purpose of waging a fight against RP and other degenerative eye diseases to save the sight of America's children; and,

WHEREAS, Those celebrities who have performed in this song have dedicated their message of "hope in sight" for the world to hear:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, GEORGE S. MICKELSON, Governor of the State of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim June 11, 1989, as

"FORGOTTEN EYES" DAY

in South Dakota to bring the spirit of hope with Bob Hope's "Forgotten Eyes" campaign to educate the world on the precious gift of sight for our children and the children of the world.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this Twenty-Sixth Day of May, in the Year of Our Lord, Nineteen Hundred and Eighty-Nine

GEORGE S. MICKELSON, GOVERNOR

ATTEST:

JOYCE HAZELTINE, SECRETARY OF STATE